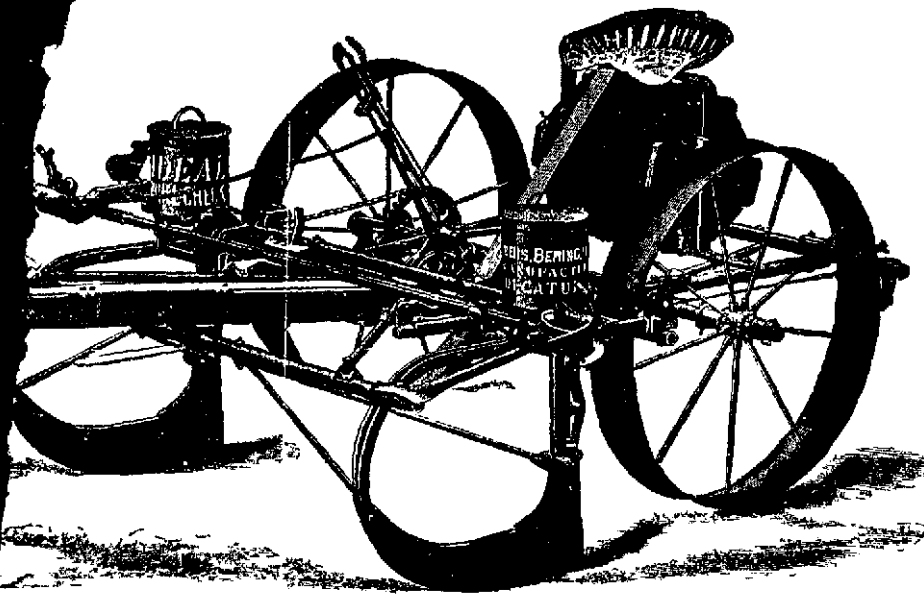


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STEEL IS KING.

Combined Drill and Check Row Corn Planter.

Latest Success Scored by the Chambers, Bering Quinlan Co.



"IDEAL" COMBINED DRILL AND CHECK ROW CORN-PLANTER, MANUFACTURED BY CHAMBERS, BERING, QUINLAN CO., DECATUR, ILL.

The Chambers, Bering, Quinlan Co. has been so associated with the manufacture of corn planters that it is no surprise to find their name on one of the most highly developed machines which the innovation of steel has produced in corn

demand for an almost imperishable corn planter combines facilities for drilling with the common advantages has been admirably met by this company in their new 'Ideal' steel combined check row corn planter. It is made entirely of steel and iron, the only wood present being in the handle. The spool the wire is wound on. It seems probable that wood could be displaced to such an extent by metal in such a machine as a corn planter is, but an examination of the new 'Ideal' made by this company demonstrates that this method of construction is not only possible, but that it renders the machine far superior to those of older construction, as an almost imperishable corn planter is produced.

The 'Ideal' is a perfect drill planter and drills all the time, but with the check row which goes with it it will drop in hills. All the work check row is to do is to open the second drop for the hill of corn to drop out.

The 'Ideal' has a center lever and can be locked solid in the ground, or run with a loose lever as desired.

The dropping device of the 'Ideal' has been in use several years and is one of the best ever used. It is impossible for the corn to clog in the holes of the seed plates—it has an automatic device for forcing the seed through, and is a remarkably even dropper.

It is adjustable in width to either 3 feet 4 inches, 3 feet 6 inches or 3 feet 8 inches. Can be used with but little time to make the change. For dropping in hills the manufacturers furnish the wire for any of the above widths.

It throws out of gear automatically when raised out of the ground, and is again in gear when let in the ground.

The 'Ideal' has 32 inch wheels, and is high enough above the ground to plant in any lister rows that are made in the West where listers are used. The 'Ideal' was first made and used in planting in listed rows, and will be found the best two horse planter made for this kind of planting. In fact it is what its name implies, an ideal planter in every respect.

It has a very simple and complete wire throw off.

Is well painted and finished, and a very light, neat looking planter, but very strong and substantial in every way. Much information concerning this machine can be gained by writing to Chambers, Bering, Quinlan Co., Decatur, Ill., who send printed matter, etc., free upon application.

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FRIDAY EVE, JAN 1, 1892

The attempt to blow up Dublin Castle is considered an indication that the "physical force" party has again been revived.

CONGRESSMAN SCOTT in an interview in Chicago on Wednesday in regard to silver legislation by the present House said: "The impression seems to be going around that nothing will be done." It is remarkable how quick the Democratic party "back slid" from its conversion (?) to free silver a year ago.

RECENTLY 'The Chicago World' Company was incorporated at Springfield. Little was thought of it at the time, but recent real estate deals seem to indicate that the company is none other than Joseph Pulitzer and that he is about to start a newspaper in Chicago, and that he will essay in that city a repetition of his success in the New York paper business.

THE St. Louis Republic refuses to be comforted, and is still indignant over the manner of Crisp's election and regards it as departure from the true Democratic principles and interests. It says:

Boss Gorman has organized all the House committees except the committee of the whole. The Democratic party will have something to say in that the generals of the tariff reform movement are reduced to the ranks, and the conscripts are in the saddle. The man who leads right, and right forward, will be the Democratic leader. None other need apply. If there is a split in the party it will be because it is forced by those who are determined to hold back when the battle cry is "forward." There is no split in the Democratic party and there will be none. But the men who attempt to sell it out will be split wider open than was ever Judas Iscariot. Tom Reed goes on Boss Gorman's "tariff reform" committee in the House, while Mills, Bynum and the Breckinridges go off. All right! This line is going into the Democratic platform next year. "The Democratic party in convention assembled renews its allegiance to the time honored Democratic principles of taxation for revenue only, and denounces as robbery all taxation in excess of the needs of economical government." In other words Boss Gorman and the corrupt contractors will not make the Democratic platform next year.

An Alarm at the Door

Politics is one of the subjects that is only safe to discuss on the streets, in offices and other places where the greatest freedom is assured. It is unsafe, when harmony is desired, to discuss politics, or form conclusions in accordance with partisan bias, hence political partisanship in churches, lodges, social clubs and the like is likely to bring about trouble and seriously cripple the great broad principles of fraternity and brotherly love.

An example of the correctness of the above observation is found in the sequel to an effort to run a lodge of Knights of Pythias at Harrisville, W. Va., on partisan lines. S. S. Stewart, of the *Richie Revue*, was expelled from the lodge without a trial upon charges preferred by J. S. Sigler, a fellow member and a rival editor. They had a quarrel purely of a political nature. Stewart carried his case to the Grand Lodge. It reinstated him and censured the lodge which expelled him for taking cognizance of political matters. Closely following this decision Stewart's lodge had its annual banquet and he entered the lodge room and the officer ordered him ejected. He warned the officers not to attempt to carry out the order, but he was overpowered and forced into the ante room and the door was bolted against him. Soon as this was done Stewart began giving an alarm at the door by firing through it into the lodge room with a revolver. The alarm was not answered from within and Stewart continued to fire until the door was riddled, when the brethren within capitulated and Stewart was admitted without requiring the usual courtesies of him, and he not only sat in the lodge but participated in the banquet as if nothing had happened. The *Revue* is still published and the lodge has learned that politics is a bad thing as a controlling influence in lodge matters, and it would be well for that lodge to keep the ante-room door as an ever present reminder of that fact.

What a Democratic Club Did

The Jackson Club the leading Democratic organization of Columbus, O., has come into notoriety, recently, in a peculiar manner. It was discovered some two weeks ago that an effort would be made at a coming meeting of the club to commit it to Hill, of New York, for President. It is well known that Gov. Campbell, who is a member of the club, feels that Hill took no interest in Campbell's re-election last fall, and this is attributed to the fact that had Campbell defeated McKinley he would have been a formidable Democratic candidate for the presidential nomination, and thus have been in Hill's way. As soon as the scheme of Hill's friends in the Jackson Club became known, the friends of Gov. Campbell and others opposed to Hill went to work and secured a good attendance of anti Hill people at the club on the night it was expected the matter of endorsing Hill would be presented, and instead of endorsing Hill a set of resolutions were passed that the Hill people construed into a reflection on Hill. This, of course, preoccupied trouble in the Democratic camp, and after the adjournment of the meeting there was an attempt to create a sentiment to expunge the resolutions from the records at the next meeting. The meeting was held one night this week, and an attempt to expunge was badly beaten and still stand as the sense of the club. In all their deliberations Mr. Munn, Gov. Campbell's private secretary, led the fight against Hill, and at the last meeting, in reply to some remarks of a Hill man, said that Hill's name did not appear in the resolutions that they were general and against office politics, and if Hill's course been such as to make the resolutions apply to him, he would have to wear shoes because it fit. At least in Ohio Hill does not seem to be in the

HOW'S YOUR POCKET-BOOK?

We have added to our stock this Fall a Large and Select Variety of

Pocket-Books, Card-Cases, *

* Cigar and Cigarette Cases,

IN ALL THE NEW AND POPULAR LEATHERS.

These goods are made up plain and with SOLID SILVER TRIMMINGS. All are Fresh New Goods

In order to introduce this line we will make prices on them about ONE-HALF what you have been paying for similar goods

W. R. ABBOTT & Co.

Christmas Cutlery

Pocket Cutlery,
Table Cutlery,
Kitchen Cutlery,
Pantry Cutlery,
Barn Cutlery,

—FOR—

CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR

And All the Year.

LYTLE & ECKELS HARDWARE CO.

Executor's Notice.
OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY, 133
Court November Term 1891
George M. Gregory and George Matthews executors of the last will and testament of George Matthews deceased vs. Sarah Gregory et al. In an order and decree of the Circuit Court of said county in chancery sitting, December term thereof, A. D. 1891, wherein plaintiff, George M. Gregory and George Matthews, executed as executors of the last will and testament of George Matthews deceased, vs. Sarah Gregory et al. defendants, the U. S.

DON'T MISS IT!

Importers' and Manufacturers' Samples, Three Big Lines.

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Twenty-five per cent below

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

MATINEE AND NIGHT

FRIDAY, Jan. 1.

Engagement of the Comedian,
Augustin Neuville,

And a carefully selected company of players, in his new play the

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BOY TRAMP,

With Its Wealth of Special Scenery,
Stage Settings,
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Everything New

New Scenery,
New Effects,
New Songs,
New Dances,
New Faces,
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PRICES---25, 50 and 75 Cts.

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The sale of seats will open at the Grand Opera House Pharmacy Wednesday morning, Dec 30

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

ONE NIGHT,

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6.

MISS LILLIAN LEWIS

Supported by an All Star Cast including the following Distinguished and Capable Players

Edmund Collier,
Louise Pomeroy,
Arthur Elliot,
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Ralph Bell,
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And others of note.

Carefully presenting Lawrence Marston's Beautiful Drama—

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Paris Costumes - - - Appropriate Effects

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Sale of Real Estate and loans negotiable and Real Estate bought and sold

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HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

BEGINNING with Thursday, Nov. 10th, and every Thursday thereafter, the Wabash R. R. will run a tourist sleeping car from St. Louis to San Francisco. This car will run via Wabash, Chicago, City, C. & N. W., Colorado Springs, and Denver, D. & G. to Ogden, and Pacific to San Francisco, leaving St. Louis at 10:30 p. m. Thursday and arriving at San Francisco at 10:30 a. m. the following Monday

JUVENIRS.



When buying a Friendship Spoon to send out of this State will want to see our ILLINOIS Spoon and Coffee Spoon, in sterling silver.

E. CURTIS & BRO., Jewelers and Dealers in China.

IT IS A FACT

That the short time we have been in business as a firm we have developed a trade that speaks words of praise for our line of CLOTHING and GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

In looking for HOLIDAY GOODS don't forget us. Our line is too great to itemize. Come and see for yourselves.

The Popular Clothing Firm, BRYAN, JONES & CO. 4 Doors West of Post Office.

GO TO FREEMAN BROS.

Fine Shoes, School Shoes, Good Shoes, Working Shoes, Cheap Shoes, Sunday Shoes, WATER-PROOF GRAIN BOOTS—For Farmers, Butchers and Brewers.

Men's and Gents' Over-Gaiters, Ladies' and Gents' Stocking Heel Protectors, Boys' and Gents' Patent Leather Dancing Slippers, Rubber Instep-Overalls and Foot-Holders, Holiday Slippers, Doll Shoes, Babies' Chamisols and Soft Sole Shoes.

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Remember the Place, 100 MERCHANT STREET, on the Old Square.

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We have left behind us another milestone on the way of our business career, and are now entering the 37th year of catering to the wants of the people. We will, as heretofore, aim to please, and you can be assured that the best of everything to be found in a present market will always be offered you.

Thanking you for past patronage bestowed and relying soliciting a continuance of the same we are, Yours truly, E. CURTIS & BRO.

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FRIDAY EVE. JAN 1, 1892

ITEMS OF INTEREST

All English.

The 5th we sell at \$5.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, and we have plenty of them. We do not want you to miss this sale. E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.

Now it is 1892

Denz & Co., Union

Lowman's fine chocolate at Wood's

The best and cheapest air rifles, 90c

Stamps, 12c

Homemade candies, fresh every day, at

Wood's

Tax Harry Miller's butter—none

better

OYSTERS, raw, stewed, or fried, at

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Good winter apples only \$2.00 a barrel

at May & Chubb's grocery store

Forty styles of Collar and Collar boxes,

at reduced prices at Irwin's Pharmacy

500 worth from 10c to 74c, worth 10c

times the money at the 9th St. 2d St.

BLANK & GRASS in the place to buy

your Paints, Wall Paper and Window

Shades

WARREN CUN has bought the Ed

Dunook livery stable on North Water

street

STAMPED lines, new and fresh, in

great variety, at "Roach Bros."

1212 1/2 W. 3rd

Don't miss, feather collars and chil-

dren's fur sets cheaper than anybody

will show you, at "Roach Bros." 1212 1/2 W. 3rd

The largest variety of table linens,

napkins and towels ever shown here, and

at lower prices, at "Roach Bros." 1212 1/2 W. 3rd

The opening address for the New Year

at the W. C. T. U. rooms will be delivered

by A. F. Smith on Sunday afternoon

There will be good music and an inter-

esting program. All are invited to attend.

The "Centemer" Kid Gloves, are Cele-

brated throughout Europe and the U. S.

as the handsomest, best fitting, best

wearing and Cheapest gloves made.

Lin & Son, 100 N. 3rd St., Sole

Agents for Decatur, Ill. 1212 1/2 W. 3rd

H. E. ROSEKOPF, the Webash fire

man, was injured so badly Wednesday

by an accident that he is now at the

Webash hospital at Springfield. In sleep-

ing from his engine he slipped on some

ice and fell, injuring his spine

There were ten additions to the Pro-

hibition Club last night. A. H. Ham-

phrey read a short paper, and A. F.

Smith made a business talk urging practical

and systematic work. New officers

will be selected next Thursday night.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Catherine

Myer took place yesterday and was

largely attended. Rev. H. H. O'Connell

officiated. Messrs. Sherman, Adams,

McCarthy, Haskell, Johnson and Broderick

served as full bearers

The Wayne Stakeyette and Road Cart

company have sent out a very neat folder

calendar for '92, the cover of which is

handsomely embellished in elaborate

one, with portraits of maidens. The Re-

publican received one. Many thanks

"Now is the winter of our discontent

made glorious summer" by Ayers' Sars-

aparilla. This wonderful medicine so

invigorates the system and enriches the

blood that cold weather becomes pos-

sitively enjoyable. Arctic explorers would

do well to make a note of this.

The January Opening

at the Decatur Business University takes

place January 6, 1892, in the new rooms

over Bradley Bros' store. Young men

and women wishing to make a special

preparation for business life will find

here the best advantages. Expenses low,

instruction thorough. Call or write for

full information. GOSHEN & OWEN,

Decatur, Ill., over Bradley Bros' Store

THE YEAR 1891 IN DECATUR.

Review of the Rapid Growth of Our Prosperous City.

Increase in Wealth, in Population, in Business Houses and in Residences, in Manufacturing Enterprises and Factories—The Bright Future.

Every careful business man at the close of the year "takes stock" and balances his accounts so as to determine the results of the year closed, and second, the better to arrange for the new year.

The year 1891 opened hopefully, but was soon overcast with financial misfortune and doubt. Disturbed financial circles in Europe and extensive calls for American gold, closed the banks of the United States to accommodations save as absolutely needed for legitimate business and only on gilt edge security. The re-

cesses in our moneyed centers were largely increased over the legal require-

ments causing a marked stringency and contraction of the currency. New enter-

prises were suspended and none but the legitimate needs of the country were

recognized by conservative bankers. From a concert of action and a conserva-

tive spirit obliterated the evil results that might otherwise have followed the panic in Europe, and demonstrated that we

are not dependent on, nor the plaything of European moneyed circles. This unfavorable situation was but a

temporary and just long enough to let the people get their second thought and realize the necessity of caution. The year

1891 was eminently a conservative and safe year one of healthy activity since early summer, and the "taking of stock" and balancing of accounts show it to have

been an eminently prosperous year in all branches of legitimate trade. An ap-

proximate estimate shows a balance in our favor of \$125,000,000 in the matter of exports over imports, with an average of a continual trade in our favor for the year 1891. With Europe as our market

at good prices, the enormous crops of '91 will add nearly \$800,000,000 to the wealth of our people over preceding years. 1891 was considered comparatively dull in our iron industries, yet for the first time the iron production of the

United States exceeded that of Great Britain. Orders already placed promise a marked increase in the output of '92. The stock markets while not marked by great activity are strong. The year was not one of speculation, but of conservative investment.

With confidence fully restored, an immense and increased surplus of money foreign trade in our favor and a universal satisfaction with the results of the year just closed, we enter upon 1892 with buoyant hope and assurance.

In all agricultural communities prosperity is evidenced in paying off mortgages, and an active demand for lands at advanced prices.

Such are the retrospects and outlook for the country at large.

No state in the Union has been so blessed as the state of Illinois in the grand results of 1891. Thrift in population, first in agricultural products, and near the front as a manufacturing state, with an active market for the output of our factories no state in the Union will show such an increase in wealth during the past year.

The wonderful growth of our metro-

polis, Chicago, the Columbian Exposition which has become not only national, but in fact, a World's Fair, commands the attention of financial circles of all nations. 1892 and 1893 will climax results that can only be measured, not realized, in immediate benefits. Illinois as a state, will share with Chicago. It is safe to say \$100,000,000 will be left in Chicago during the fair.

The superior location of Illinois for manufacturing is conceded and evidenced in the rapid transfer of factories from other states and Europe to various points within our state.

Centrally located with the grandest system of railroads in the Union, to supplement our magnificent river transportation, Illinois will become within the present decade the commercial and manufacturing center of the United States.

Haworth & Sons and Tait & Co., no longer confine themselves to chisel rowers. Each company pole out annually thousands of corn planters and corn planters and chisel rowers combined. The C. B. & Q. Co. also produces large quantities of hay harvesting implements. Tait & Co. erected in 1891 a foundry for their own use, and are adding to their line of manufactured articles. The Loeb Foundry on the Haworth ground has outgrown its quarters and will establish large works elsewhere near the city. The ground occupied is needed by the Haworths for extensions.

In rebuilding the Decatur Furniture Co. fully doubled their capacity. The Shulbarger Milling Co. greatly increased the capacity of their mills, and like improvements were made by the Hatfield Milling Co.

The Huff Bros will soon have their large planing mill in operation, and the other four planing mills have increased their capacity, and further increase is to be made this year. The fact that five large planing mills are required for the building of Decatur is potent.

The Wire Mast Co. increased its capacity and is now a leading industry. The Chromate Soap Factory since itself cramped, and a large building is at once to be erected to accommodate its increasing trade.

Mr. Tait has his large two-story factory up on South Water street, and it will soon be in full blast.

No more important industry was added to our list in '91 than the Leader Co., producing a full line of superior day work of building up our city.

Most of the building up of our city is done by the Leader Co. and the City Co., in producing large quantities of paving brick. There are now five large plants manufacturing the popular brick.

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years pass this will be more and more the case. The large surplus of idle money now on hand, added to the surplus being realized from our enormous crops, must find channels for investment. The conservative financier naturally turns to real estate. This is manifest in the unprecedented sale of farms at greatly advanced prices during 1891. The tendency now is to city property, and the general opinion in financial circles is that with 1892 we enter upon a season when approached in real estate transactions. Next to real estate manufacturing interests will find the impulse.

And the wealth that surrounds us and the possibilities from the World's Fair and the resultant pouring in of foreign capital, where will Decatur stand? This is the all important question that every citizen of Decatur should ask himself. What is expected of us, and what is each one's duty? First—concert of action, and every man to his place. The Board of Trade should at once be organized. The city, if possible, should place a large lot in the corner of the city, and extend to the Board of Trade every proper encouragement. Amid the hundreds of new manufacturing enterprises seeking location in Illinois, Decatur should command a large share. No inland city in the state equals Decatur in location and railroad facilities. None excel us in cheapness of fuel and favorable rates. The last year demonstrated the advantages we have in abundance of water. The railroads at Decatur had to haul water to the towns and cities on their lines for long distances during the week of building up our city.

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DEATH IN A MOMENT.

John W. Taylor Instantly Killed by a Wabash Train.

There was an accidental fatality at the North Main street crossing of the Wabash road at about 11 20 a. m. to-day, on the arrival of passenger train 44 from St. Louis. The victim was John W. Taylor, 44 from St. Louis, the ordinary agent, whose home is at 820 North Union street. He was a brother of Philip W. Taylor. The deceased who was very deaf, was making an attempt to pass over the crossing to come down town. A freight train headed west was backing up, and the passenger train was coming into the city headed east. The freight was on the north track and the caboose was about to block the crossing, when Taylor hurried across the crossing without waiting for the approaching passenger train. He had no thought of danger, and could not have heard the whistle of the engine. He stepped in front of the engine. The pilot struck him on the right side, and the wheels cut off the left foot at the ankle. He was dead when picked up. His neck was broken, the ribs on the right side were fractured, and there were scars on the head. The passenger train, which was in charge of Conductor Charles Sewell, Chicago Mallet engineer and Fireman Shattlesworth, was stopped at the Water street crossing and backed up to Main street. The body of Taylor was placed upon a cart and taken to the Union depot, where Officer John Kirkland took charge of it until Coroner Beaudine arrived, when the body was removed to Undertaker Hall's rooms. The inquest was held this afternoon when a verdict of accidental death was rendered. The deceased was a harness-maker by occupation. He had been employed at J. O. Starr & Son's factory and other places. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias order, Chippewa Tribe of Red Men and the Modern Woodmen organization.

Reception to Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gephart. The wedding reception tendered Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gephart last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gephart on North Water street, was a brilliant affair, attended by a large number of friends. A fine supper was served, and music and various games engaged attention. The Adams club, of which the groom was a bachelor member, presented Mr. Gephart with an elegant combination folding bed. Henry Spence made the presentation speech. The other members of the club, all simple, are Ed Kennedy, Harry Dick, Jr., Henry Spence, Will Sherman, George Fulton, James Taylor, Elmer Deel, J. B. Williams, Wyness Micht and James Spence.

Gallant Fireman. The ninth annual ball of J. M. Raymond Lodge, No. 19, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, was given at Quaker's Army hall last evening. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gephart on North Water street, was a brilliant affair, attended by a large number of friends. A fine supper was served, and music and various games engaged attention. The Adams club, of which the groom was a bachelor member, presented Mr. Gephart with an elegant combination folding bed. Henry Spence made the presentation speech. The other members of the club, all simple, are Ed Kennedy, Harry Dick, Jr., Henry Spence, Will Sherman, George Fulton, James Taylor, Elmer Deel, J. B. Williams, Wyness Micht and James Spence.

Friends of the Decatur Woman's Club will be received formally at the club house this evening from 5 to 10 o'clock, by Mrs. M. M. T. Randall, president, Mrs. Eugene M. Bacon, vice-president, Mrs. Anna Belle Henkle, secretary, Mrs. E. L. Bevans, treasurer, Mrs. John A. Barnes, president of the first division, Mrs. E. L. Bervans, second division, Mrs. R. L. Wainston, third division and Miss Alice Tyler, fourth division, assisted by club members. Refreshments will be served in the dining room by Miss Frances, Miss Robert, Miss Wainston, Miss Haver, and Miss O'Neil. There will be music during the evening by the Opera orchestra. The decorations are beautiful.

AT THE DECATUR CLUB. The gentlemen of the Decatur Club will receive in their customary primly style at the parlors in Haworth Block from 6 to 11 p. m. Tasteful decorations have been made by the committee in charge. Canvases covers the floors in preparation for those who wish to dance. Refreshments will be served under the direction of Mrs. Snyder, and the punch bowl will be in the hall. The receiving party will be Dr. W. A. Barnes, president, F. M. Pratt, vice-president, Walter Strange, secretary, H. I. Baldwin, treasurer, Directors B. Bradley, A. B. Alexander, L. G. Powers, James Coop and E. W. Wood, also Messrs. W. H. Abbott, A. Ewing, W. B. Chambers, W. C. Johns, John Clugston, L. L. Barrows, W. C. Taylor, Frank Curtis, H. B. Durfee and others on the reception committee. The Opera orchestra will be present throughout the evening. The beautiful souvenirs—"Up in G" and "Very Well"—have arrived from New York.

Watch Meeting. A large number attended the watch meeting last night at the First Baptist church, which was opened at 8 o'clock by a bible reading by the pastor, Rev. C. J. Torrey. This was followed by singing and the reports of the different societies. Reports were received from the Sunday School, Endeavor Society, Ladies Aid Society, Guild and the church treasurer. A recess was taken for half an hour for social converse. A few minutes before 12 all those present joined hands, the circle extending around the church. They then sang a hymn as the clock struck 12. The congregation was then dismissed by all repeating the Lord's Prayer in chorus. Letters of regret were received from a number of persons.

Night School. At the Decatur Business University opened Tuesday evening, January 5, 1892. Business arithmetic, bookkeeping, spelling, penmanship, shorthand, typewriting, etc., thoroughly taught by experienced teachers. Call on or write for full particulars. Goshen & Owen, Decatur, Ill., over Bradley Bros' store.

The "Boy Trump." The Augustin Neuville company gave "The Boy Trump" at the Grand this afternoon. The same play will be produced to night.

HER NEW YEAR'S SOLILOQUY. It's getting very late. Dear me! It's clocking higher. Yes, half past three. It's a little later than that. But then, it's not like the other night. I should think he ought to be here. He's not here today. He's very quiet. Perhaps he will not come at all. And yet he has not called. He'll get over with him yet. He'll find me in a pretty way. How dare the fellow let me know. He has no right to be so late.

NEW YEAR'S CALLS. The fashion seems setting in for improving the New Year's call out of existence. The advance of fashionable progress is a retrogression in common sense. With our hurry hurry mode of life, we have already knocked half the poetry out of it, and it is really time to call a halt on the movement for wiping out what remain of the good old customs of our grandfathers. Why should the fraternal, spirit-kindling wish be allowed to mummify itself into a dry conventionality? What is wanted is to restore its old time genuineness and re-juvenate its pious grace.

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